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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : William J. Vojtasek  
Serial No. : Not Yet Assigned  
Filed : Herewith  
For : HYPODERMIC NEEDLE GUARD  
Examiner : M. Mendez  
Group Art Unit : 3763

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified Application, please amend the  
Application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, after the title and before "Field of the Invention," please insert the  
following:

--Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/369,866 entitled  
HYPODERMIC NEEDLE GUARD, filed on August 9, 1999.--

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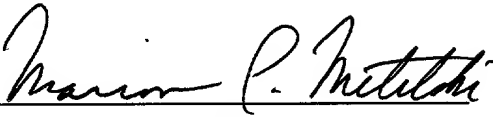
**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel Claims 20-58.

Respectfully submitted,

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